

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

Please substitute the following paragraphs for the corresponding paragraphs beginning at the indicated location in the specification as originally filed.

(Page 17, Lines 3+):

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~~—Also, a keyboard apparatus includes a frame formed by a metal plate, a link bearing formed on the metal plate by sheet metal processing, a link connected to the link bearing and a key top connected to the link so that the key top is lifted and lowered.~~

A keyboard apparatus includes a frame, a link bearing provided on the frame and having an elongated hole, a link slidably engaged with the elongated hole of the link bearing, and a stopper provided on the frame so as to position the link at a first position in the elongated hole. The link is disposed at a first position in the elongated hole when a key top is assembled to the link. Also, a keyboard apparatus includes a frame formed by a metal plate, a link bearing formed on the metal plate by sheet metal processing, a link connected to the link bearing and a key top connected to the link so that the key top is lifted and lowered.